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## Food Safety Advisory Committee Seeks Local Input

If you are interested in improving food safety in your local community, South Central District Health has an opportunity for you.

District Health has formed the South Central Idaho Food Safety Advisory Committee, and has scheduled a second meeting of the group for Thursday, Feb. 15, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the South Central District Health office in Twin Falls, located on the CSI campus.

South Central District Health formed the new collaborative committee last October with the goal of forming a comprehensive regulatory food program by improving community outreach activity and gathering a broad spectrum of input from food-related businesses and the community. The first meeting was held in October 2006 with over 30 participants from industry, academics, institutions, private citizens, and county/state government.

The committee's intent is to communicate sound public health food safety principles to businesses and individuals, and to foster and recognize community initiatives focused on the reduction of food borne illness risk factors.

For more information about the committee, contact Melody Bowyer, Food Program Manager at South Central District Health, 737-5909 or <a href="mbowyer@phd5.state.id.us">mbowyer@phd5.state.id.us</a>. Those wishing to participate on the committee should contact Bowyer before Feb. 9.

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